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SPECIALS
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TOWNSEND and MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY ONLY, BOTH STORES

Best Headlight Oil, cut to - -	6c gal
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Misses' Heavy School Shoes - Sizes 12½ to 2	$1.25
Ladies, 50c fleece lined Ribbed Underwear, cut to - -	33c
Men's and Ladies' $2.50 and $3.00 Sweater coats, cut to - -	$1.75
Men's heavy winter Tan $2.00 Shoes,	$1.60
Men's Snag Proof Hip Gum Boots, cut to	$5.75
Men's Snag Proof short Gum Boots,	$4.00
Nen's $2.50 Leather Boots, cut to -	$2.00
40c Part Wool Ingrain carpet cut to	30c yd
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$3.50 Bed Mattresses, cut to -	$2.50
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A GREAT POTATO REGION

Past National Lecturer Whitehead, one of the early organizers of the grange movement, made addresses in Maine as well as in other states the past summer, and here is what he found up in the great potato region of Aroostook county. "The crop," he says, "is estimated this year at 15,000,000 bushels on 750,000 acres. I saw rows of potatoes there a mile long. One Patron had a little patch of 206 acres in potatoes. The grange has taught the farmers how to sell their crops, and last spring over 100 cars of seed potatoes were shipped direct to their brother Patrons in New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland." He also found that Aroostook county Patrons have been very successful in their other co-operative business enterprises. Four of their stores this year will do a business of about $300,000. At Houlton they have a grange gristmill. It is estimated that the co-operative business of the Patrons of Maine this year, through their stores and in handling western grain and feed, also fertilizer, etc., will amount to at least $1,000,000. Their three grange fire insurance companies are now insuring $28,000,000 worth of grange property. The grange halls of the state have cost over $1,000,000. Mr. Whitehead also found autos owned by Patrons no uncommon sight in Maine. Why not? They evidently can afford autos better than many who are not farmers and drive machines covered by mortgages.

We are asked when a member should begin paying dues—at time of initiation or later. In New York he begins with the month succeeding the one in which he takes his first degree. The dues of charter members likewise begin the month following that in which the grange was organized. The subordinate grange does not pay dues to the state grange on a member until the quarter following that in which he was received into the grange, but does pay dues to the state grange on any names dropped during the quarter by demit or expulsion.

WOMEN MAY DO CENSUS WORK

Census Director Durand's general instructions to the supervisors of the census in the thirteenth decennial general enumeration, April next, have been forwarded to them.

The instructions point out that there is nothing in the census act making women or persons under 21 years of age ineligible for appointment as enumerators. It is stated that a considerable number of women were employed in both the eleventh and twelfth censuses. It is suggested that it is undesirable to employ enumerators who are too immature, either in experience or appearance. The supervisors are cautioned to exercise their judgment in each individual case.

It is suggested, as they are particularly likely to be good enumerators, that the supervisors employ crop reporters of the United States Department of Agriculture, officers and leading workers in farmers' organizations, live stock associations, co-operative creameries, etc., progressive farmers and their sons and daughters, and especially young men and women who have attended agricultural colleges or agricultural experiment stations, physicians, school teachers, and substitute teachers, college and high school students, persons who have passed Federal, State or municipal civil service examinations for clerical positions or mail carriers, substitute letter carriers, local, State and municipal officers, and particularly town and village clerks and recorders.

Applications should be addressed to the individual supervisors and not to the Census Bureau. It is understood that the filing of applications will be permitted to continue until about January 15th. The population and agricultural schedules will not be forwarded the supervisors until a few weeks before the enumerators begin. It is estimated that more than 65,000 enumerators will be employed.

THANKSGIVING DAY

BY JOHN KENDRICK BANGS

Now the turkey roosting low
Finds his spirit full of woe;
Notes that popularity
Is not all 'tis said to be;
Wishes that he had been wise
In his corn fed paradise.
He'd by far the wiser been
Had he rested 'mongst the lean;
Had he dieted a bit,
Keeping all his muscles fit,
'Stead of, like a prideful flat,
Gorging until plump and fat.

See! In state at last he lies,
Flanked about by pumpkin pies,
Flanked with fresh cut celery,
Giblet sauce and cranberry;
Covered with a pall of crisp,
Here and there a parsley wisp
Lying softly on his breast;
Stuffed with spice and nuts of chest
Poor old turkey! Victim he
Of his gobbling vanity.

Gladsome day for young and old,
Whether winds be soft or cold;
Day that gives a nation pause
For its grateful "Deo Laus;"
Day that brings us face to face
With the fount of love and grace—
It were blessing past compare
That we have a day so rare;
Day from others all apart
Given over to the heart,
To a realizing sense
Of the great beneficence
Of the hand divine above
That hath ruled us but through love.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
Pencader Hundred!

The taxable residents of Pencader Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

GLASGOW
Nov. 24th, Dec. 28th, 1 to 4 P. M.
SUMMIT BRIDGE
Nov. 26th, Dec. 29th, 10 to 12 A. M.
KIRKWOOD
Nov. 26th, Dec. 29th, 2 to 4 P. M.
DAYETT'S MILL
Nov. 27th, Dec. 30th, 10 to 12 A. M.
BRYAN'S STORE
Nov. 27th, Dec. 30th, 2 to 4 P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 0, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

JOHN T.
Collector of Taxes for Pen

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20th, 1909.

THOSE members of Congress who are laboring under the hallucination that when they completed their consideration of the tariff question they had finished all the hard work that would be required of them for some years will be surprised to find that a difficult legislative programme has been mapped out and one that will call for their most profound thought and best efforts. President Taft has many recommendations in mind, some of which he will put before Congress in his annual message. He has outlined them in his recent speeches and it is not necessary to enumerate them here.

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Secretary of State Knox has determined that in his administration of the State Department the commercial as well as the diplomatic aspects shall be given careful attention. He has announced that his chief work, aside from using the vast influence of the United States to preserve peace and harmony among the nations, will be the extension of American trade not only in the Far East but in South and Central America and in the Ottoman Empire. He has already insisted that this government be recognized in China and that American bankers be allowed to participate in the loan of $30,000,000 which the celestial empire is about to float. Mr. Knox is of the opinion that if American capital is invested in China and if public improvements are made with the assistance of Americans China will soon become an open field for American products and America will soon find that in China there is an unprecedented demand for her commodities. At first the European bankers who had determined to float the loan refused to allow United States bankers to participate but Mr. Knox insisted and it now seems certain that he will be successful in gaining this new field for American capital. He has also made preparations for the invasion of Central and South America by American business men while an arrangement is being drawn up between this country and Turkey by which the United States will be given fair opportunity to invest money in the new institutions of the Ottoman Empire. In order that no detail in this campaign for commercial development may be overlooked a new bureau of the State Department has been established. It is called the Division of Far Eastern Affairs and its sole duty will be to aid the commercial advancement of the United States in the countries named.

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Much is done by the War Department to make things agreeable for the enlisted men. Places and forms of entertainment are provided in order that a soldier may be satisfied with his surroundings and care is taken that a soldier who is useful shall desire to re enlist. In this connection Major C. C. Morton of the Inspector General's Department has made some recommendations which are certain to be given serious consideration by Army officers and to be hailed with delight by the enlisted men. This officer makes a protest against the impatience which many officers manifest in their treatment of the men. He says that the use of profanity is more common than is generally supposed and that this fault is more common among the non-commissioned and junior officers than among those of maturer years. He emphasizes the fact that wherever this fault is found it should be checked by superiors as something as important to the regulars as is the supervision of their mess and their clothing. It is almost a foregone conclusion that the War Department will act on Major Morton's suggestions.

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The patience with which the United States has borne with the conduct of President Zelaya of Nicaragua has for some months past been a source of much favorable comment in the foreign press. His utter disregard for the amenities which usually prevail among nations, his failure to abide by agreements or respect protocols and the high-handed manner in which he has treated all advances from Washington have all been tolerated without complaint by the State Department but when he orders the summary execution of two Americans the good nature of Secretary Knox and his advisers came to an end. From this time on the dealings of this government with President Zelaya will be marked by unusual exactitude. He will be compelled to act in accordance with the letter and spirit of international law and a serious breach of this code will certainly mean serious consequences for him. The revolutionists who are fighting against him under the command of General Estrada seem gradually to be gaining the upper hand and it is regarded as more than probable that the next week will see the end of Zelaya and his mad career.

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It is probable that the new tariff board will make a trip to Canada within the next few weeks. This body established by the Payne tariff law to advise the President in his impositions of the maximum or minimum rates believes that the most important subject before it is the question of our future relations with Canada. Certain provinces of the Dominion impose restrictions on United States exports which can hardly be considered other than "Undue discrimination" against this country and unless they are removed a trade war is likely to ensue after our maximum schedules go into effect on March 4th, 1910.

Having 2 copies of the American Encyclopedic Dictionary, I will sell one very cheap—Four volumes, 4800 pages. The English publishers spent $500,000.00 and the American revisers $100,000.00 more to make this superb work. Besides the dictionary proper there are several valuable features added by the American revisers. Address "BOOKS," Care of TRANSCRIPT.

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FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

According to careful experiments, the cost of keeping a cow a year with the best of feed and shelter, labor and interest on the investment included, all told amounts to $55. If then the cow cannot be made to produce more than $55, she is not worth keeping. A good cow ought to produce at least $110, or double the cost of her keep.

When cows are nervous or troublesome in any way at milking time, they should be fed just before being milked. The giving down of the milk is governed by the nerves, and the more the cow's mind is taken from the milking process the less action the nerves will have on the milk-secreting glands. Feed will make the cow more contented, which in turn will result in larger yields.

Salt has a lot to do with the keeping properties and quality of butter. Use none but the best.

The healthy cow is the one that gives pure and wholesome milk. No one cares to use the products from a diseased cow.

Taints and bad odors are out of place around the cow stables and milk house, as the dairy products are especially susceptible to them.

The buttermilk and skimmilk should be allowed for when counting up the profits from a dairy herd. Both have a food value when fed to the pigs.

Poor care and under feeding will wear out a cow quicker than overwork. Good care and treatment and good feed properly balanced will not break a cow down.

Dipping of sheep is profitable. Always dip when the wool is short, as less dip is consumed and ticks will be more apt to leave the sheep's body. Commercial dips are good, but some farmers make their own with tobacco, sulphur and carbolic acid.

Dairy cows not kept warm and comfortable during the winter months must use more feed for maintenance and their milk flow will necessarily be less than those comfortably sheltered. Comfort for the cows and profit for their owners go hand in hand.

A horseman says he has cured horses and colts of worms by pulverizing tobacco leaves with his hands and placing a small quantity in each feed of shelled oats for a few days. He says the worms will be expelled without any ill effects to either the horse or colt. Colts will soon learn to like the tobacco and eat it freely. He says that many a colt that is now kept poor and scrawny by the worms, if given pulverized tobacco leaves in this manner, will soon begin to thrive and take on flesh.

When scalding poultry for market, it is best to first dry pick the legs, so that they will not necessarily be placed in the water and change color. Neither the heads nor the feet should touch the water. The water ought to be as near the boiling point as possible, without boiling. The way to "plump" a dressed fowl is to dip it for ten seconds in water nearly or quite boiling hot, and then immediately in cold water. Hang in a cool place until the animal heat is entirely out. Plumping gives the fowl a much more attractive appearance. A duck is not fully matured until it is about two and a half years old.

There's no use buying what can be produced at home unless you can buy cheaper. Barnyard manure is a by-product of stock raising and when saved and returned to the land costs only the labor of properly caring for it. There are two good ways of saving manure. When the lay of the land is right so it cannot wash away there's no better way than to haul it right onto the fields, especially the meadow, with a spreader as fast as made. If the land is too rolling this is not an economical way of doing, especially after the ground has frozen. But few farmers have a manure shed in this country. We are not awake to the necessity of saving as are our European friends. There are two ways of using a manure shed. It may be a place where the manure is piled to keep it from leaching, or it may be a big covered barn in which stock is kept and these work the manure over and mix it with abundant bedding and thus make use of the straw. Those who have the covered yard are sure that it pays. The manure is thrown in there, the cattle and hogs mix it and prevent its heating, and much more straw is thus used and returned to the fields.

You have use for ice in summer. Yes, you do—at least your wife could use it to advantage if she had an ice box handy. Have a cool cellar? Have a cold spring on the farm? Yes, maybe, but think of the extra steps the women folks have to take every day putting victuals away to cool in those places and getting them again three times a day.

You save steps in the field by using the sulky plow, sulky cultivator and harrow cart. You never walk if you can ride. You never do what you can make the horse—or hired man do. How about saving a few steps for the overworked women folks? It can be done when an ice box stands handy to the kitchen—on a shaded back porch maybe. Don't keep them forever going up and down staire with hands full of dishes. Bad enough to do that for vegetables.

But that ice house. Select a spot as handy to the house as you can, provided you can get good drainage, as there is some melting of ice in the house. Excavate a few inches and fill with gravel or broken stone pounded down hard. This for drainage. The main feature in construction is insolation so heat cannot get in the building to melt the ice. Sawdust is put around and over the ice to aid in preventing air from striking the ice. A dead air space is as good an insulator as can be found. There are insulating materials sold to put on the walls and roof to keep heat out. After you once have the ice-house the harvesting of the crop is a small matter. A number of neighbors can go in together and own an ice plow, and the necessary ice tools. They can work together and make short work of it. When you are eating ice cream some hot Sunday next summer you will thank us for urging this upon you now. And your wife will thank us every time she takes some cold sweet milk, cream and butter from the ice chest, instead of having to go down cellar, or use soft butter and sour cream.

COL. INGERSOLL'S ELOQUENT TRIBUTE

The following beautiful and eloquent tribute was spoken by Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, in the presence of a number of the most prominent men, then in public life, at the bier of his brother, Eben C. Ingersoll, in Washington, D. C., May 31st, 1879. It is justly cherished as one of the most exquisite pieces of literature extant:

"Dear friends, I am going to do that which the dead oft promised he would do for me.

"The loved and loving brother, husband, father, friend, died where manhood's morning almost touches noon, and while the shadows still were falling toward the west.

"He had not passed on life's highway the stone that marks the highest point, but being weary for a moment he lay down by the wayside and, using his burden for a pillow, fell into that dreamless sleep that kisses down his eyelids still. While yet in love with life and raptured with the world, he passed to silence and pathetic dust.

"Yet, after all, it may be best, just in the happiest, sunniest hour of all the voyage, while eager winds are kissing every sail, to dash against the unseen rock, and in an instant hear the billows roar above a sunken ship. For whether in mid ocean or 'mong the breakers of the farther shore, a wreck at last must mark the end of each and all. And every life, no matter if its every hour is rich with love and every moment jeweled with a joy, will, at its close, become a tragedy as sad and deep and dark as can be woven of the warp and woof of mystery and death.

"This brave and tender man in every storm of life was oak and rock, but in the sunshine he was vine and flower. He was the friend of all heroic souls. He climbed the heights and left all superstitions far below, while on his forehead fell the golden dawning of a grander day.

"He loved the beautiful, and was with color, form, and music touched to tears. He sided with the weak, the poor, the wronged, and lovingly gave alms. With loyal heart and with the purest hands he faithfully discharged all public trusts.

"He was a worshiper of liberty, a friend of the oppressed. A thousand times I have heard him quote these words: 'For justice all place a temple and all season Summer.' He believed that happiness is the only good, reason the only torch, justice the only worship, humanity the only religion, and love the only priest. He added to the sum of human joy, and were every one to whom he did some loving service to bring a blossom to his grave, he would sleep to-night beneath a wilderness of flowers.

"Life is a narrow vale between the cold and barren peaks of two eternities. We strive in vain to look beyond the heights. We cry aloud, and the only answer is the echo of our wailing cry. From the voiceless lips of the unreplying dead there comes no word, but in the night of death hope sees a star and listening love can hear the rustle of a wing.

"He who sleeps here, when dying, mistaking the approach of death for the return of health, whispered with his latest breath, 'I am better now.' Let us believe, in spite of doubts and dogmas, of fears and tears, that these dear words are true of all the countless dead.

"The record of a generous life runs like a vine around the memory of our dead and every sweet unselfish act is now a perfumed flower.

"And now to you, who have been chosen from among the many men he loved to do the last sad office for the dead, we give his sacred dust.

"Speech cannot contain our love. There was, there is, no gentler, stronger, manlier man."

The ball bearers were Senator William B. Allison, Senator James G. Blaine, Senator David Davis, Senator Daniel W. Voorhees, Representative James A. Garfield, Senator A. S. Paddock, Representative Thomas G. Boyd, Ward H. Lamon, ex-Congressman Jere Wilson, and Representative Adlai E. Stevenson.

THANKSGIVING CONUNDRUMS

Here is a collection of conundrums which may be served up while the turkey is being served on Thanksgiving day:

What part of the turkey assists my lady in making her toilet? Comb.

What part of the turkey opens the front door? Last part—key.

What part of the turkey will appear on Wednesday, Dec. 1st? Bill.

What part of a turkey is part of a sentence? Claws (clause).

What part of a turkey is used for cleaning purposes? Wings (for dusters).

What part of a turkey does the farmer watch with anxiety? The crop.

Why is the man who eats too fast like a turkey? Both are gobblers.

What part of the turkey is an oriental? The first part—Turk.

Why ought the turkey to be ashamed when he is being served? Because we see the turkey dressing.

What color gets its name from the turkey? Turkey red.

When the turkey is cooking, in what country is he? In Greece.

EDUCATIONAL FARMING

Pennsy Would Profit by Increasing Population

Announcement that an experimental farm is to be established at Boston, Sussex county, by the Pennsylvania Railroad, for the benefit of the farmers of the Delaware peninsula, extending through the States of Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, is an item of the utmost importance not only to the agriculturists of the Eastern Shore, but to the farming and transportation interests of the entire country and to the public generally. President James McCrea, always attentive and widely active in promoting the production of tonnage and the creation of traffic for the great system committed to his care, it is said, visited this peninsula, generally known as the Eastern Shore, and noticed but about one-half the acreage was under civilization and knew that the cities of the country were pressing in their demands for greater supplies of the very articles these idle acres would profitably produce.

The land for their experimental and educational farm has been purchased by the Railroad Company and a superintendent of ability has been appointed who will demonstrate the latest and best methods of cultivation for the farmers of the peninsula.

With a present population of nearly 300,000 people it is deemed possible to double it in a few years through improving the productive qualities of the soil and the great profits to be derived from the improved cultivation. The railway company is setting an example to all the other railway lines of the country, and through its facilities for inducing a more dense population in the farming sections it builds up its own traffic and renders a most important and valuable service to the country in thus lessening the congestion of population in the cities and providing additional food products for those who dwell in them.

There are probably fair profits to railway trunk lines in transporting settlers from the Eastern coast to the Far West, but if those thus transported were profitably employed on the lands adjacent to the lines which transport them the profits from their labor to the railways which carry them away would be a thousand per cent. greater in the course of five years. Another home established in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, another 50 acres of land put under cultivation in either of the three States is far better for the railways of those States than the mere transportation of 100 persons to the Far Western country.

The Eastern and Middle Western States possess uncultivated lands to-day that could yield profit to 10,000,000 more farmers, and the productions of those lands would furnish the railway companies of the sections named with millions of tons of additional freight.

NEW JURY DRAWN

Jury Commissioners J. Wilkins Cooch and Harlan G. Scott, Friday drew the following panel of jurors to serve in the Court of Oyer and Terminer:

First District—Thomas Farmer, George L. Ferguson, Charles E. Taylor, Charles A. Cook.

Second—Robert Garner, Joseph L. Carpenter, Sr., Peter H. Overdeer, William M. Ward.

Third—Herman E. Frist, Frederick R. Banks, Aubrey Vandever, Alfred D. Warner, Jr.

Fourth—James Monaghan, Eugene F. Fraim, Jesse K. Baylis, Edward Higgins.

Fifth—John J. Cahill, Charles R. Henderer, Harry C. Tazewell, George C. Morton.

Sixth—John M. C. Price, John F. Veal.

Seventh—George McIntire, Jesse Davis.

Eighth—James T. Harkness, George Montgomery.

Ninth—Thompson L. Lilly, John W. Chambers.

Tenth—William Megginson, George A. McCann.

Eleventh—William B. Cooper, Edward Comley.

Twelfth—John W. Moore, Clayton M. Riley.

Thirteenth—Albert Diehl, W. Reese Parker.

Fourteenth—Nathaniel W. Vanllorn, Elias N. Moore.

Fifteenth—John L. Seemans, Alexander Deakyne.

The jury is to report on Monday morning, November 29th, at 10 o'clock. The case for trial is that of George Colombo, who is under indictment for felonious assault.

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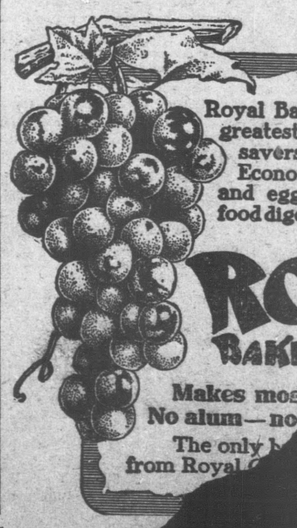

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PEARY'S PERSECUTION OF DR. COOK

That a regular campaign of abuse, slander and espionage is being conducted against Dr. Cook, by Peary and his partisans, is now apparent to all the world; and Peary's fine Italian hand is visible enough in those lying Burrill affidavits in the Mt. McKinley matter. Hireling spies dodge his footsteps everywhere, even invading the privacy of his very home! Mr. Wack, the doctor's attorney, now openly charges that in his absence in the far North Peary looted the goods stored there by the Dr., and shipped some $8,000 worth of furs, etc., to the United States as presents to certain members of the National Geographical Society. This attorney declares that charges against Lieut. Peary will be made which will force his dismissal from the Navy. Be this grave accusation true or not, certainly Peary's conduct from the very first has been disgraceful in the extreme—shameful enough to sadly dim the lustre of his past exploration record. All naval officers are hot partisans of his and very willing detractors of Dr. Cook.

This, however, is but another illustration of the truculent jealousy which naval and military men have always shown towards any of the "laity," so called, i. e. anyone not a graduate of West Point or Annapolis, attempting a career in the army or navy. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, one of the greatest soldiers this country ever produced—and facile princeps its finest Indian fighter—had all his life to struggle against this same gang of jealous detractors and only achieved his distinguished successes by reason of the possession of high native and acquired abilities. In the eyes of these haughty graduates from these two National Schools, where the common people foot every one of their bills, no good can ever come out of the Nazareth of the laity.

Herein lies much of the gravamen of Dr. Cook's unpardonable offence in daring first to reach the North Pole, without having previously graduated from among their number.

WHAT YOU SHOULD SELECT

"Tell me what a man reads and I will tell you what he is," said a wise writer; for little by little the things that we read become our thoughts and make the very texture of the mind.

During the last few months the attention of the American people has been aroused to the consideration of pure and impure foods. This agitation has done good, for with the abundance of good food there is little excuse for using any food which is harmful. The time has come when the American family must give better attention than in the past to another matter—the choice between good and bad reading. We have read enough about wickedness in both public and private life; too many stories of criminal transactions; too much about the evil and not enough about the good in life.

Let us have the bright and clean side of our American life only. Let us read stories of heroes who are both brave and noble, and not vulgar and confessed criminals. The mission of the press is to help the reader, not drag him down; to suggest high, not low ideals.

During the next few weeks the average family selects the periodicals to enter the home for the next year. For our sake, and still more for the sake of our sons and daughters, it is most important that we should select our periodicals with great discrimination. Let these subscriptions be only for clean, wholesome patriotic periodicals; those which present the good, not the bad, in human life and endeavor.

ANENT the *Star's* articles on the Howard Pyle School of Wilmington artists, Mr. Anthony Higgins recently remarked to a gentleman that Mr. Pyle was Delaware's foremost living citizen. THE TRANSCRIPT says a hearty amen to this, but begs to add—"there are others"—the ex-Senator himself for in- With his forceful per- ited

TO CHANGE INAUGURATION

Reports from Washington indicate that the movement to change the date of the presidential inauguration is assuming definite form. According to these advices, Commissioner Macfarland, of the District of Columbia, is taking the initiative in the matter and has already secured the support of a number of senators and congressmen, besides promises from the governors of 46 states and territories pledging to exert their influence in favor of such a change. It is hoped that this campaign will result in a demand for necessary legislation in the matter. No one who attended the last inauguration will soon forget the discomforts and privations that turned what should have been an imposing spectacle into a fight against pneumonia and kindred diseases. There is no good reason or not making a change. There are, however, any number of reasons in favor of the proposition, all of which are too obvious to need mentioning. It is to be hoped that the present movement will crystallize into definite action.

WE'LL BE FED

"What Must We Do to Be Fed?" is the title of the first article of a series by James J. Hill, "the builder of the Northwest," which appears in the last number of *The World's Works*. Mr. Hill points out strikingly that a rise in the price of bread and a food shortage have begun already in this land of plenty.

Mr. Hill's thoughtful words would be alarming did he not point out the way to feed the 200,000,000 people who, he confidently predicts, will inhabit this country at the end of fifty years. He says:

"Land without population is a wilderness, and population without land is a mob. A prosperous agricultural interest is to a nation what good digestion is to a man. The soil is the only resource that renews itself continually after having produced value.

"I do not wish to belittle the importance of manufacture or its relative value in general growth. But for many years this country has made the mistake of unduly assisting manufacture, commerce and other activities that center in cities at the expense of the farm. The result is a neglected system of agriculture and the decline of the farming interest."

Further on Mr. Hill says:

"It is made clear by every process of logic and by the process of historic fact that the wealth of a nation, the quality and permanence of its institutions are all dependent upon a sound and sufficient agricultural foundation.

"If I could have my way I should build a couple of warships a year less. Perhaps one would do. I would take that $5,000,000 or $6,000,000 a year and start at least 1000 agricultural schools in the United States at $5000 a year in the shape of model farms. This model farm would be simply a tract of land conforming in size, soil treatment, crop selection and rotation and methods of cultivation to modern agricultural methods. Its purpose would be to furnish to all its neighborhood a working model for common instruction.

"Let us set these simple principles of the new method (of agriculture) out in order," says Mr. Hill, toward the end of his illuminating article:

"First—The farmer must cultivate no more land than he can till thoroughly. With less labor he will get more returns. Official statistics show that the net profit from one crop of twenty bushels of wheat to the acre is as great as that from two of sixteen, after original cost of production has been paid.

"Second—There must be a rotation of crops. The years of single cropping will pretty nearly wear out any but the richest soil. A proper three or five-year rotation of crops actually enriches the land.

"Third—There must be soil renovation by fertilizing; and the best fertilizer is that provided by nature herself."

DELAWAREANS ARRIVED HOME

The Delaware delegates who attended the second annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, which was held at Norfolk, Va., last week, arrived home Sunday after having a very enjoyable and interesting trip. They were entertained by the city of Norfolk, which had donated $80,000 for that purpose. After the convention the delegates were shown places of interest in and about Norfolk. They were taken to the harbor, the Navy Yard, Old Point Comfort and other points.

At the convention Delawareans were appointed on committee as follows: Credentials, Henry Thompson; ways and means, S. K. Smith; time and place of meeting, R. J. Maclean; resolutions, Anthony Higgins and Howell S. England; vice-president of the association for next year, Dr. Hiram R. Burton; State delegate for next year, Hon. William H. Heald.

The Delaware delegates to attend the convention were as follows: Hon. William H. Heald, Dr. Hiram R. Burton, R. J. Maclean, Henry Thompson, Henry T. Bosh, William T. Budd, S. K. Smith, John P. Almond, Capt. Peter Bloomsbury, Robert T. Baldwin, S. B. Cooling, Howell S. England, Benjamin Harrar, David A. Hay, A. S. Reed and Hon. George W. Sparks.

Ex-Senator Higgins was chairman of the Delaware committee and Howell S. England was secretary.

The Delaware delegates who made addresses were Hon. Anthony Higgins, Hon. William H. Heald and Dr. Hiram R. Burton.

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Attix, Edna C. J.	Kenton
Beardsley, Nellie A	Lincoln
Bowman, Nellie B.	Holly Oak
Brill, Eleanor L.	Wilmington
Carey, Mary E.	Milton
Derrickson, Margaret E.	Frankford
Downham, Anna Mary	Wyoming
Eskridge, Chester L.	Bethel
Faries, Ethel H.	Smyrna
Garton, Olive R.	Wyoming
Krauss, Elizabeth M. H.	Henry Clay
Langrell, Annie	Felton
Lynch, James F.	Roxana
MacCollum, Isaac J.	Roxana
McCrone, Lidie H.	McDonough
McCrone, Mary E.	McDonough
McKinney, William	Wilmington
Nickerson, Beatrice D.	Camden
Passmore, Mary B.	Montchanin
Pennock, Mabel C.	Hockessin
Satterfield, Mary M.	Harrington
Scotton, Edith P.	Hartley
Stephens, Ira W.	Delmar
Toman, Margaret N.	New Castle
Tubbs, John A.	Selbyville
Walker, S. Laura	Marshallton
Warrington, Robert T.	Milton
West, Lillian M.	Townsend
Wharton, Bayard V.	Houston
Yearsley, Mabel Q.	Wilmington

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
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The taxable residents of Pencader Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

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Nov. 24th, Dec. 28th, 1 to 4 P. M.
SUMMIT BRIDGE
Nov. 26th, Dec. 29th, 10 to 12 A. M.
KIRKWOOD
Nov. 26th, Dec. 29th, 2 to 4 P. M.
DAYETT'S MILL
Nov. 27th, Dec. 30th, 10 to 12 A. M.
BRYAN'S STORE
Nov. 27th, Dec. 30th, 2 to 4 P. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 0, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

JOHN T. WRIGHT,
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Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.35 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 4.05 p.m. 6.00 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m

For Odessa—75.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.

For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a, m, and 4.45 p. m.

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Local News

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The Ladies' Mite Society will continue their Rummage Sale this (Saturday) evening, November 27th, in the store room adjoining Mr. Monro's store.

FOR SALE.—Two heating stoves and lot of window shades, cheap. Inquire of DR. J. ALLEN JOHNSON.

FOR RENT.—My dwelling on East Cochran street. Possession given March 25th, 1910. Apply to W. REESE PARKER.

Dr. J. C. Stites has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

FOR RENT—Two (2) houses on East Main street. Possession given March 25th, 1910. Apply to MRS. J. B. COOKE, 4719 Hazel Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

FOR RENT.—Store and dwelling at Mt. Pleasant. Possession given March 25th next. Apply to T. E. CLAYTON, Mt. Pleasant, Del.

Will sell or exchange a new 8 room house in the City of Wilmington, with all modern improvements, well located, for small farm or good town property. Apply to THIS OFFICE.

After October first, the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 3.30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8 30; Saturdays, 3 to 5. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 8.30, for school children exclusively.

FOR SALE—12 gauge Parker hamerless shot gun, retail price $50. As good as new, sold for want of use. Will be sold at very low figure. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

The tenant house on Mr. Joseph Shaw's farm, near McDonough, was burned on Monday morning about ten o'clock. It was occupied by colored people, who got some of their furniture out but not all.

We have in STORAGE several hundred tons of HIGH GRADE LEHIGH and BITUMINOUS COAL. You don't have to place your order before-hand as it is ALWAYS IN STOCK. We have just added to our yard a nice lot of SAWED WOOD. Phone 5. JESSE L. SHEPHERD.

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Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending November 18th: Mrs. Lillian Brom, Mrs. W. T. Mills, Mr. S. Houston Baker, Elsie Formon, Mr. Thomas Johnson, Mr. M. S. Pilchard, Mr. James Tarre, Mr. Joseph Wright.

Indian summer has at last made its departure. The coal man may now look forward with pleasure to the thriving business which awaits him, and already the goose-bone weather prognosticators are coming forth with the usual number of prophesies of a more or less conflicting nature.

The Degree Team of Winona Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Wilmington, will be the guest of Middletown Council on Monday evening. They will bring their full team and will confer the degrees on a candidate. The team is one of the best in the State, using a stereopticon machine to exemplify the work.

The medicine of sunshine is something we cannot have too much of. There are a thousand ills and pains and aches of mankind for which it is the cheapest and most effectual of remedies. When the Samaritan poured wine and oil into the wounds of the beaten traveler he also poured in lots of the sunshine of a lovable, merciful disposition and it helped to heal the poor man just as much as the medicine and food. Sunshine chases away the shadows and brings hope and cheer. More sunshine in business, home, social service and religion is what the world needs.

The way to build up a community is for every person in it, who can, to put some money into industries that give the people employment, and push the industries to success. It must be admitted industries that last all the year round are the best; but those that last part of the year are better than none. The most valuable power on earth is human power, and when it is not employed it is not only lost but it also consumes part of what others earn. Work creates wealth; work sets money in motion; work pays debts; work is the vital power in prosperity, and that city, that community, and that nation whose people are idle, are poor, and poor in proportion to the number that work and the time they work. Heaven's greatest earthly blessing to any people to give them honest, remunerative work.

After a short business meeting at the New Century Club on Tuesday, the afternoon was devoted to "Social Service." Mrs. Charles Derrickson read several articles of great interest on the subject, introductory to the most excellent and practical address given by Miss Emily P. Bissell, of Wilmington, State Chairman of Social Service. She referred to the Child Labor Law and what it is doing in our State, but dwelt at length on the wonderful and stirring work being accomplished for the eradication of that dreaded disease tuberculosis. With the earnest support of the people of Delaware, she told of the future of "Hope Farm," just outside of Wilmington, which has been purchased for a Sanitorium. Everybody should be aroused to this great work. After Miss Bissell's talk, tea and crackers were served.

"OUT OF TOWN"

A Pleasing Three Act Comedy at the Opera House Thanksgiving Night

The ladies of the New Century Club were well pleased with the large audience that greeted the three act comedy, "Out of Town" at the Middletown Opera House, Thanksgiving night, and many requests for reserved seats could not be granted.

The stage had been tastefully arranged by the ladies for the occasion, and the scene in Mrs. Thorndike's city home was indeed beautiful, and the open fire place added much to its home-like appearance.

The cast was one of the best home talent productions ever rendered in the local play house, and was well received by the large audience.

One of the pleasing features of the program was the vocal solo, "For This" which was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Grace Field Naudain of Wilmington. Pool's Orchestra was at its best, and the audience showed its appreciation of the fine music by the numerous and long applauses which followed each selection.

The ladies of the Century Club are well pleased with the receipts of the affair, which will be added to the building fund.

The cast follows:

Mr. John Spencer Ellington, the unwilling possessor of a Dukedom, disguised as a valet in Act III, Geo. L. Townsend; Mr. Robert Mayhew Thorndike, alias "Bobby," a bachelor by choice, J. C. Parker, Jr.; James, butler at Thorndikes', Taylor Barnett,; Mrs. Jane Harrington Thorndike, a widow, mother of Bobby, disguised as housekeeper and maid in Acts II and III, Miss Mary Hutchin; Elizabeth Thorndike, her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Cochran; Mrs. J. Ludington Monroe, former classmate of Mrs. Thorndike's, Miss Eugenia Beasten; Esther Monroe, her daughter, Mrs. John C. Stites; Marie, Miss Thorndike's maid, Miss May M. Holten.

OBITUARY

FRANK C. JOLLS

After an illness of ten days, Frank C. Jolls died at the National Hotel Thursday morning at 5 o'clock, aged 36 years. Deceased had been unwell for several months, and about ten days previous to his death he was stricken with typhoid fever, and his relatives and friends realized from the beginning that the end was near.

Deceased was the youngest son of the late John W. and Susan Jolls, and was not married, and for the past two years had boarded at the National Hotel where he died. He leaves one sister, who is Mrs. Theodore V. Leonhart, and three brothers, Joseph C., Clerk of the Orphans Court, of this county; John A., our postmaster, and Charles H. Jolls, of Wyoming, to mourn his death.

The funeral services will be held at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Theodore V. Leonhart, on Railroad Avenue, Monday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock, and interment will be made in Forest Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend the funeral without further notice

JAMES ROE

James Roe died at his home in "Middle Neck" at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, aged 71 years. Deceased was stricken with paralysis several weeks ago, which with other complications caused his death. Mr. Roe had spent his entire life on the farm where he died, and everybody in this section knew him as "Uncle Jimmie" Roe. Deceased was never married. Funeral services will be held at his late residence Sunday afternoon at one o'clock, and interment made in Sassafras Cemetery.

CIGARETTE BOYS NOT WANTED

John Wanamaker, Philadelphia, the Larkin Company, Buffalo, the Globe-Wernicke Company, manufacturers of bookcases and office furniture, Cincinnatti, the mail order houses of Montgomery Ward and Company, and Sears-Roebuck and Company, Chicago, are some of the most prominent business men who refuse to hire boys, or young men under twenty-one who are addicted to the cigarette habit. Some of these firms employ 5,000 to 8,000 people; several are so emphatic in their disapproval of cigarette smoking that they refuse to employ men of age, young or old, who are addicted to the habit. In Chicago the postoffice in special delivery department, in which nearly 300 boys are employed, there is a ban against cigarettes and other forms of tobacco. The wholesale hardware establishment of Hibbard, Spencer and Bartlett, Chicago, the Tobey Furniture Company and Alexander H. Revell and Company, manufacturers and retailers of furniture, Chicago, discriminate against cigarette smokers in engaging and promoting employees.

BAD OYSTER SEASON

Easton, Md., has been overrun this week with discharged oyster dredgers. The indications are that this season will be the most disastrous the country has known. There is absolutely no demand here for oysters, and packers refuse absolutely to buy from tongers and dredgers for more than nine cents a bushel.

One packer at Oxford, who owns several dredge boats, could not afford to operate them. He turned boats and equipment over to the men on them to make what they could for themselves. After a week they returned the boats in debt. They reported no market for oysters, and the price was from 6 to 9 cents a bushel. The Clerk of the Court here has issued over a hundred less licenses than at this time last year.

GRAHAM IS WELL

Noah Graham, the negro prisoner at the workhouse who shot and killed Guard Campbell and shot and wounded James Butcher, a white prisoner, and who in turn was shot twice by Guard Dorsey has fully recovered from the two bullet wounds. The bullets have not been removed from his body, but they do not seem to affect him in any way, for he is said to be as well as ever.

Graham is confined in his cell in the prison. He is not allowed to leave this, and he is not taken into the workshop or about the prison to do other work, as he was before he killed Campbell. He has been indicted for murder in the first degree by the grand jury, and prisoners held on a charge of murder are never allowed to leave their cells. His case will come up in court probably next week.

PERSONALITIES.

Miss Lulu Vinyard spent Sunday with Miss Elizabeth Holten, in Dover.

Miss Ada Scott is entertaining Miss Marguerite Pretzyman, of Lewes.

Miss Edna Wilson was in Philadelphia over Sunday, the guest of relatives.

Mrs. W. R. Parker and son Alden spent this week with her parents in Dover.

Miss Patton Cochran, of near town, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Julian Cochran.

Mrs. Catherine Hurn is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John Hayes, near Red Lion.

Mrs. Rose Weber and daughter Viola spent Sunday with friends in Port Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Coleman, of Smyrna, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John J. Jolls.

Mr. Daniel W. Stevens spent Thanksgiving day in Medford, N. J., and Chester, Pa.

Mrs. Jackson W. Study, of Philadelphia, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cox.

Mrs. G. G. Rowe, of Washington, D. C., is a guest of the Misses Beaston, on Cass street.

Miss Eva Whitlock, of Philadelphia, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Whitlock.

Mrs. Henry D. Howell and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Hudson, in Smyrna.

Miss Sallie Crossland, of Wilmington, spent Thanksgiving day with her mother, Mrs. John Bendler, near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Moore and little son spent one day last week with his mother in West Chester, Pa.

Mrs. C. A. Hoffecker spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs. W. A. McCrone and family, near McDonough.

Mrs. John E. Edwards, of near Millington, Md., has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. John J. Jolls, for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Edward Lewis and daughter, Miss Prudence, spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Long Branch, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh C. Browne and son Hugh, of Wilmington, spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Mrs. H. V. Parvis.

Mr. Samuel Penington, of Philadelphia, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Voshell, near town, during the past week.

Mrs. Daniel Bacon and son Leon, of Wilmington, are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Crouch, on Anderson street.

Mr. Grover Bendler and niece, Miss Nina Castelow, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. E. E. Bendler and family, in Port Penn.

Mr. Isaac Fouracre returned to his home in Wilmington on Tuesday, after a two weeks' visit with his son, Mr. T. S. Fouracre and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Northup attended a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry I. Gillis, in Wilmington, on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Mendinhall and children, of Wilmington, were guests of her father, Mr. C. P. Cochran, on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. F. S. McWhorter, of Riverton, N. J., was the guest of Mr. J. F. McWhorter and family several days this week.

Mrs. J. B. Messick is visiting friends and relatives in Georgetown, Snow Hill, Md., and Chincoteague Island, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Clayton, of near Chesapeake City, Md., spent Thanksgiving day with his father, Mr. Joshua Clayton, Jr., at the Middletown Hotel.

Misses Lidie and Mary McCrone and cousin, Miss Margaret Lupton, of West Chester State Normal School, are spending the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCrone, near McDonough.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt N. Willits and family, of Germantown, and Mr. and Mrs. Horatio N. Willits, of Lansdowne, Pa., are spending this week with their father, Mr. M. N. Willits and daughters, near town.

KILLED IN AUTO SMASH

Andrew Bryson Taylor, aged thirty years, of No. 23 North Third street, New Castle, was almost instantly killed and William M. Moore, aged twenty-four years, of No. 1401 Gilpin avenue, was seriously injured Monday morning when a Mitchell roadster in which they were riding, crashed into a stone wall along the side of the small bridge that spans Squirrel Run, a short distance above the Greenville station.

Both men were thrown from the automobile and Taylor's neck was broken and his skull crushed. He lived only a few minutes after the accident. Moore was more fortunate and his escape from a similar fate is considered miraculous. He was knocked unconscious and remained so for more than an hour after the accident. When he revived he aroused people living in the vicinity, who summoned help from Wilmington and the coroner to remove Taylor's body.

Just how the accident happened is not known, for Moore, the survivor, does not remember anything except the fact that the machine crashed into the stone wall. He and Taylor were going out the turnpike and it is supposed they were traveling at a high rate of speed, for the automobile was reduced to a pile of twisted iron by the force of the impact.

AN APOLOGY

THE TRANSCRIPT never yet failed to make all possible amends for any slip whereby anyone was injured or, as in this case, even annoyed. In our last issue appeared the following marriage notice:

FISHBURNE–WATTS—On last Saturday afternoon, Miss Viola Watts, of Townsend, and Mr. Charles Fishburne, of Illinois, were quietly married at the M. E. Parsonage at Middletown, by Rev. V. S. Collins. After January 1st, 1910, Mr. and Mrs. Fishburne will make their home in Illinois.

The notice came to us by mail from a source that hitherto we have always found to be absolutely reliable, and we did not for an instant suspect its genuineness. It now turns out that some knave—to further purposes of his own—or, perhaps some sap-headed fool—has taken the impudent liberty of playing a practical joke upon the estimable young lady who is made to figure as one of the principals in the affair. No one who has ever seen the bride-alleged would ever question the news that such a capital prize in the matrimonial lottery had fallen to some lucky fellow's happy lot! Now, so far as the suppositious groom himself is concerned, THE TRANSCRIPT expresses to him its deepest sympathy, that the news is, alas! only a correspondent's pipe-dream!

MEETING OF THE LEVY COURT

At the session of the Levy Court on Tuesday, Clerk of the Peace Brown announced that the secretary of State's office had notified him that the state board of supplies refused to pay a bill of $15.25 for printing submitted by M. W. Willey, of Seaford. The board holds that the Levy Court of this county should pay the claim. Mr. Brown explained that Comptroller Chandler would not approve the bill. There it was left.

Through its counsel, T. Bayard Heisel, the American Power Company sent a letter to the court asking permission to erect poles and wires along the public road leading from New Castle to Rogers' Corner, and from Roger's Corner to Clarke's Corner; also from Clarke's Corner to the town of Delaware City, for the purpose of supplying electric current for light, heat and power purposes to the town of Delaware City, Fort duPont, and to residents along the road. The matter was laid over for one week.

A resolution offered by Commissioner Elliot to have a survey made of the road known as Lore avenue in Brandywine hundred, a distance of about one-third of a mile and to advertise for bids grading the road, was adopted.

A resolution offered by Commissioner Taylor was adopted. It authorsizes the highway commissioner to make a survey and prepare plans and specifications for building the road known as the Lancaster turnpike from the bridge over Red Clay creek, known as Barker's bridge, to the bridge, over a branch of Mill creek in the village of Hockessin.

County Treasurer Burns reported the following county balances:

Credit of the Levy Court of New Castle county, $151,447.15; special bond issue, No. 1, $6,084.37; special bond issue, No. 2, $45,252.21; miscellaneus roads appropriations, $369.63; Christiana hundred, $4,046 30; Mill Creek, $4,745.57; White Clay Creek, $331.10; Pencader, $1,204 74; New Castle, $3,761.80; Red Lion, $1,520.62; St. Georges, $5,201.92; Appoquinimink, $1,109.03; Blackbird, $477 21; Brandywine, $2,704 72.

GEESE MAKE BREAK FOR FREEDOM

The smooth flowing tides of the Delaware river carried off what is roughly computed as around thousand Thanksgiving dinners Wednesday when 200 geese, that had been fattened near Odessa, and shipped to Philadelphia by the Clio for the holiday market, made a concerted break for freedom, as they were being uncrated at the Dock street wharves.

After the tops of the crates had been removed, and while Frank Cohen, a Dock street poultry dealer, to whom the shipment was consigned, was looking it over the geese rose in the air as if with one accord, and descended like a stage snowstorm into the river. Rowboats and a tug that went after them brought back about thirty of the geese, but the rest paddled down the river with all the speed they could muster, and disappeared. Rivermen say they probably will seek shelter, later, in the flats below League island.

Here and there was a cheer as the birds paddled desperately down stream, and a ferryboat that was crossing from Gloucester slowed up gallantly when the pilot saw that he was about to gather a lot of the geese to sure death in his paddle wheels.

It was Cohen who estimated that each goose should have supplied Thanksgiving meat for a family of six, and that thus not less than a thousand dinners faded from sight down the river when the geese escaped.

HYMENEAL

FOARD–NAUDAIN

Mr. Thomas Foard of Trenton, N. J., and Miss Ruth Naudain of Odessa, were quietly married at the home of the bride, at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D. J. Givan, in the presence of the relatives and a few invited guests.

After congratulations, the bridal party and their guests were invited to the dining room, where supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Foard will reside in Trenton, N. J., where the groom is engaged in contracting and building.

MULLIN–SPEAR

Mr. Charles Mullin of near town, and Miss Mary Spear of Bohemia Bridge, were quietly married by Father C. A. Crawley at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, at St. Joseph's Rectory, in the presence of the immediate families of the contracting parties and a few invited friends. Mr. and Mrs. Mullin left on the 4.16 north bound train on their wedding trip.

MRS. ROOSEVELT RETURNS HOME

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Mrs. Edith Kermit Carow Roosevelt, wife of former President Theodore Roosevelt was a passenger by the steamer Koeing Albert, in to-day from the Mediterranean. Her daughter, Miss Ethel, accompanied her.

Douglas Robinson, Mrs. Roosevelt's brother-in-law, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth (Alice Roosevelt), Teddy Roosevelt, Jr., and several personal friends greeted her at the pier. She said she did not care to talk for publication. She will spend the Christmas holidays at Oyster Bay after a trip to the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. William Sheffield Cowles, in Connecticut.

It was said Mrs. Roosevelt would return to Italy, where she has been stopping for the last several months early in February to await the return of Mr. Roosevelt from the jungle and that she would accompany him and her son Kermit to this city. Mrs. Longworth kissed Mrs. Roosevelt fervently.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

As my NEW BAKERY is just completed, I am now ready to supply the public with

Fresh Bread, Cakes and Pies Daily,

And am confident I can give you satisfaction. Quality and cleanliness will be strictly adhered to. If you have any fault to find, please come to me with them, and I will try to correct them.

You are cordially invited to inspect my Bakery, and your patronage is earnestly solicited.

EDMOND BLOME,
Middletown, - Delaware

ODESSA

Rev. D. J. Givan was a visitor in Farmington this week.

Mrs. A. E. Appleton is spending sometime with relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Mary Massey has returned home, after a visit with friends in Philadelphia.

Mr. Robert Douglas was a visitor in Chester, Pa., from Saturday until Monday.

Mrs. Z. T. Atherley, of Edge Moor, visited friends here from Friday until Monday.

Miss Martha Evans, of Elwyn, Pa., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson.

Mr. Levi Satterfield, of Houston, visited his brother, Mr. Nathaniel Satterfield, this week.

Miss Lillian Robb, of Chester, Pa., is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Morris.

Mrs. Kate Gremminger is spending sometime with her daughters in and near Delanco, N. J.

Miss Emily Webb is spending this week on the Levels, guest of her uncle, Mr. George Ginn.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long, of Wilmington, spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Theodore Long.

Mrs. Florence E. Adkins, of Nashville, Tenn., is visiting at the home of Mr. Thomas Middleton.

Mrs. Caroline Hahn returned home Saturday, after an extended visit with relatives in Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Leslie Morgan is spending a few days this week in Wilmington, guest of his sister, Mrs. J. B. Clothier.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heldmyer, of near town, have as their guest this week, Mrs. Benjamin Diest, of Philadelphia.

Miss Lola C. Harris returned to her home in Wilmington Monday, after a pleasant visit with her father and sisters.

Mr. William West who has been very ill for the past six weeks, has sufficiently recovered to be out among his friends again.

Mr. Frank Tucker, of High Bridge, N. J., was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Tucker, from Saturday until Monday.

Mrs. W. F. Curtis and children have returned to their home in Wilmington, after spending two weeks with her father, Mr. D. W. Corbit.

Prof. A. M. Mackey, Misses Ethel L. Mailley and Marion H. Mifflin, teachers of the public school, attended teachers' institute at Newark this week.

Mr. George Douglas and Miss Elsie Muehlberger, both of this town, were married Thursday afternoon last, by the Rev. J. A. Arters, of Middletown. Both are well known and have many friends, who wish them a long and happy life.

CECILTON

Mr. J. H. Smith was a Baltimore visitor recently.

J. D. Beltz spent last Friday in Wilmington.

J. C. Manlove and wife spent Sunday with Mr. Joseph Manlove.

Mrs. Emma Hessey, of Chestertown, has been the guest of Mrs. Henry Boulden.

Mrs. Berry, of Middletown, Del., was the guest of Mrs. R. W. Blackway on Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Freeman and Mr. McCormick, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Capt. William Biggs and wife, of Fredericktown, and Mrs. Albert Duke, of Baltimore, spent Monday with Mrs. McCoy.

Mr. and Mrs. DeValinger and Mrs. Mary Bouchelle, of Wilmington, were visitors in town on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Manlove and daughter, of Warwick, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Snyder on Sunday.

Mr. Harry Budd, Mrs. Thomas Pearce and Mrs. George Beaston were the guests of their sister, Mr. Bryon Bouchelle, in Chesapeake City, last Thursday.

The Episcopal Sunday School will hold a Fair and Festival in Anderson Hall, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, December 15th and 16th. Come out and buy your Christmas presents and help a good cause.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

Wheat—No. 1	$1.09	Corn—	
No. 2		Yellow, shelled	56
Timothy Seed	$2.50	" cob	55
Clover Seed	.11½	Oats	60

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

Eggs, per doz	33@35
Country Butter, per lb	32@37
Creamery Butter, per lb	40
Lard, per lb	13@17
Live Chickens, per lb	12@14
Potatoes	35@45

FOR SALE!

Scarlet Clover Hay, baled	$16.00 ton
Cotton Seed Meal	$35.00 ton
Bran	$25.00 ton
Old fashioned Buckwheat Flour	$ 3.00 bag

JOSEPH E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Del.

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I have the following valuable farms for sale:

386 acres ½ mile from Forest Station.
213 acres 1 mile from Mt. Pleasant.
165 acres 1 mile from Mt. Pleasant.
186 acres on Levels.
196 acres 2 miles from Middletown.
153 acres ½ mile from Townsend.
240 acres ½ mile from Reybolds.
175 acres at Forest Station.

These farms are all near stations and possession will be given in March next.

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Middletown, Del.

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Men's New Protector Overcoats

Kirschbaum make in Raincoats, sample lot, made to sell at $22.50 to $25.00. All sizes in the lot. Most all different patterns at $15 and $18.

Special in Dry Goods Department

15c. and 12½c. Towels at 5½c. This lot of Towels are Mills Seconds, slight imperfect in weave, this is a great bargain in Towels, as this grade and price are seldom in the market. Mills make few seconds as it means quite a loss. While this lot lasts at 5½c. not over one dozen to a customer.

J. B. MESSICK
Cochran Block
Middletown, Delaware

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING BARGAIN SALE

Making this good store better you have got to bring up a store as you bring up a human being. Watch for weaknesses—develop its good points.

We are building this business that way, holding fort to the idea that our success is in your satisfaction. And satisfaction you will always get here. Our stock this fall is larger and better than ever and we can positively guarantee to give you better values than any other store.

When we say bargains, we mean bargains We will start a reduction sale of Ladies' and Misses' Suits, Dresses, Coats, Skirts, Waists, Millinery, Underwear and Children's Dresses and Coats. These prices will be good until the last day of the month only. Our store is crowded now with an entire full line of fall and winter goods As the people of this vicinity have always found our store the best and most reliable and the lowest in prices, you will positively be surprised to hud, at this sale, still lower prices prevail. But you must come yourself and be convinced if you want to save some of your good money, so don't miss this sale.

Here are only a few of the many bargains waiting for you.

These prices talk for themselves. Don't delay. Come early as we don't think there is enough to go around.

25 children's worsted sample dresses made in various styles. Sizes 6 and 8 only. They are a bargain at $2.50. For this sale only 98c.

Black sateen and heatherbloom petticoats, in various styles. There isn't one in the lot but what is worth $2 00 For this sale only 98c.

Our stock of waists is now complete. Lawns, silk, nets, sateen, flannel, madras, in different colors, at unheard of low prices. If you need a waist come and see ours first. Special during the sale. Black taffeta silk waists for $2 50. Regular price $4.50.

MILLINERY.—About 100 hats, all the newest shapes, artistically trimmed, with the prettiest and best of trimmings which we have marked down for this sale at half price. Hats that were from $5 00 to $10.00 are now from $2.50 to $5.00.

There are hundreds of other bargains awaiting you in children's coats and dresses, wrappers, underwear and hosiery and if you want to take advantage of these big bargains, you positively must come early because they will not last long at the prices we are offering them.

There is another bargain. A lot of white linen, batiste, plaid muslin, tailor-made waists. Value $1.00, sale price 50c.

	Former Price	Sale Price
A lot of Ladies' Coat Suits	$10.00	$ 6.50
A lot of Ladies' Coat Suits	$18.00	$12.00
Ladies' and Misses' Long Coats	$ 5.00	$ 3.50
Another lot of Ladies' and Misses' Coats	$ 7.50	$ 5.00
Another lot of Ladies' and Misses' Coats	$12.00	$ 7.50
And many others that have been reduced.		
Ladies' and Misses' skirts, all colors and sizes in all the new shades	$2.75 to $6.00	$1.98 to $3.00

A. FOGEL,
Middletown, - Delaware

OVERCOAT YEAR

This seems to be Overcoat year, as we are selling so many. We have the largest and best styles. Qualities are A 1 and prices are right. Plain Velvet and the new Military Protector and Presto Collar Coats, $5 to $15 for regular styles; $15 to $25 for novelties; $20 to $40 for silk lined Dress Coats. New values in $15 and $20 Suits for Men; some of the $20 Suits marked down from $25 to fill in sizes. Big lot new styles Overcoats and Reefers for High School Boys, 15 to 19 years, and Little Boys, 4 to 16 years. We are getting ready for the Holiday trade in our Furnishing Dept. Smoking Jackets, House Coats and Christmas Novelties.

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Thursday,	11, 6.00pm	Friday,	12,	3 30pm
Monday,	15, 11.00am	Tuesday,	16,	6.00pm
Thursday,	18, 12.30pm	Friday,	19,	11 00am
Monday,	22, 3.30pm	Tuesday,	23,	1.00pm
Friday,	26, 6 30pm	Saturday,	27,	4.00pm
Monday,	29, 11 00am	Tuesday,	30,	6.30pm

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ASTIGMATISM
of the Eye

WHEN an eye is said to be astigmatic, the meaning is that the eye has a double focus. This annoys the brain and the eye will strain unconsciously to bring about a clear focus; this strain usually causes headaches. Astigmatism is usually congenital or so at birth—it is remedied by wearing glasses ground from the segment of a cylinder. These glasses, if rightly made, bring images to a focus on the retina thus relieve all strain. Children as well as adults suffer from astigmatism. I am prepared to correct all common or complicated errors of sight—my examinations are free.

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A Thanksgiving Experience

BY LENA BLINN LEWIS

We really ought to do something, Tom; it seems dreadful not to.

I know it does, Jennie, but what can we do?

We should at least hold a service.

With you as congregation and choir, and me as preacher. I am discouraged, Jennie, and feel like giving up the whole thing. Perhaps the Lord sent us here, but I—

There, Tom, don't say it. Of course the Lord sent us, and don't you remember, dear, when the Bishop placed his hands upon our heads at the ordination service, he said we were going out into a field of trial, and it might be one long sacrifice of self, but we would have strong hearts and brave spirits, and would remember his text of the morning, 'Be ye faithful.' You know, Tom, I knelt right beside you, and it was such a privilege—the wives of the young ministers had never been given it before. I am sure I will never forget that afternoon—the old Central Church in Detroit, the great multitude of people, and the loving, tender face of the Bishop. It was grand, Tom, and I believe was a special blessing from God to us. We have work to do, and there are souls to save here, we must not falter, even in our thoughts.

You are right, Jennie, and a brave, true little woman. We will hold a service of some sort, and perhaps good will come.

The little clock in the corner struck twelve when the two tired heads went to rest, but their hearts were at peace, and the Bishop's text followed them to dreamland.

It was the first year of the mission. When it was started there were a number of families who were regular attendants and a good many outsiders, in the small mining town; but the mines had proved to be a failure, and one by one the miners moved away, leaving the young missionaries without a flock.

Winter was coming on, and it was not to be wondered at that the pastor was discouraged; but he had been hoping a new mine would open and there would yet be work for him to do.

A week went by, and they had thought and planned for Thanksgiving; they would hold a service anyway, and Jenny would prepare the nicest dinner she could out of their scanty store of good things.

There were two wretched families in the Hollow, and Tom suggested they might invite them to the meeting; and if they knew a dinner was to follow, they might be persuaded to come; so they both went into the "highways and hedges," as it were, looking for guests to attend their feast. But they were doomed to disappointment, for they found the huts were empty, and they were truly alone with nature and with God.

They must have moved in the night, Tom said, but we will go on our way with thanksgiving, if not with rejoicing.

The day before Thanksgiving the young minister drove to the nearest village, some twenty miles distant, to get some provisions and what mail there might be—since the closing of the mines they had not been able to get their mail unless they went for it themselves.

Tom started early, and the day was long to Jennie; but she was contented until evening came, when she began to feel nervous and lonely.

The thought of the dear ones at home, the pretty cozy rooms with the cheerful grate fire and the happy, loving faces, with the brightness of it all, made her heart-sick and she cried as only a homesick girl can cry. But soon she heard Tom's whistle, and in her gladness her tears were forgotten.

Here is a surprise for you, dear, and some letters from home, Tom said, as he carried a big box into the house.

Oh, it is from father, Tom, and Jennie touched it tenderly, as though it was a real friend from afar.

They had their simple supper, and then opened the box. It was a surprise, surely, and a very timely one, for Tom had found it difficult to get anything suitable for a Thanksgiving dinner.

In the top was a letter: -

Our Dear Children: Our hearts are with you in your little Northern home, and we are wondering what Thanksgiving Day will bring to you. We will miss you more than we can tell, but we are happy in the thought that you are doing the will of the Master.

We send you what we think will be most welcome—some of mother's mince-meat, along with the old gobbler. You may have guests; or perhaps you will be alone, but in either case, remember you have much to thank God for, and not the least is each other. Mizpah!

"YOUR LOAING FATHER."

Thanksgiving morning was cloudy, and the weather predictions indicated a storm; but the minister and his wife were up early, and with cheerful hearts they commenced the day.

There were many little duties to be done, and the turkey was to prepare for roasting; and then they must both be ready to give an hour to the morning service.

We will have our dinner at six, Tom, as we used to do at home, you know. Now, you go and think about your sermon; I shall expect a specially good one.

At half-past ten Jennie went to the little study, and she saw at a glance that the quiet of the last hour had left its influence in Tom's face, and she said, earnestly: I feel like singing, 'There is sunshine in my soul to-day,' and they commenced the service with that hymn.

Tom had decided that they could not do better than to read the sermon the Bishop preached at his ordination, and "Be ye faithful" left again a message in their hearts and when the hour had passed they felt that they had been close to the Master, and the dark clouds of the morning had parted and were fast drifting away, and they sang a song of praise and thanksgiving.

That evening when Jennie set the table for dinner, she arranged four places, and Tom asked laughingly if she expected company.

I feel as though some one might drop in; and how pleased they would be to find a welcome waiting for them!

A heavy storm had come, and the wind blew and whistled about the little parsonage, and the night seemed wild and lonely enough; but the pies were as tempting as could be, and the turkey was done to a turn.

Jennie had placed a light in the window—a habit she had—thinking its cheerful rays might be a guide and a comfort to any wanderer who might be passing that way.

I hope there is no one out in this dreadful storm, Tom said, as they sat down to dinner.

He had commenced carving the turkey, when they heard voices, and soon a loud knocking at the door.

Tom opened it quickly and asked the strangers to come in.

You are very welcome, gentlemen, and just in time for dinner.

They soon had their coats off and were warming themselves by the fire, while Jennie filled the cups with steaming coffee.

Mr. Nelson, a prospector for a large mining company, and a young man with him, were the unexpected guests.

They could hardly realize their astonishing good fortune. We were about discouraged, when we saw your little light shine out in the darkness, and knew a haven was at hand. We have certainly lost our way, for we were looking for a settlement called Standish, where we expected to spend the night.

That settlement is on another road, Tom said, and you are many miles from there.

Such a dinner as that was! They all declared it was the best they ever sat down to, because there were really somuch to be thankful for, and they talked long into the night.

The next day the storm still kept up, and the two guests were forced to remain.

Mr. Nelson had a long talk with Tom and Jennie, and it resulted in new prospects for the future. He said:

We have a fine settlement, and there is so much to be done. We have a good schoolhouse, and my daughter is the teacher; and she and her mother have tried to organize a Sunday-school, but they are both new at the business and are about ready to give it up. What we want is a minister, and I am sure the good Lord sent us here to find you.

And so it was settled. Tom and Jennie packed some of their belongings, and with the pony and the two strangers they started for their new home some forty miles away.

They were received joyfully by the Nelson family, and very soon made many friends among the miners, and the success of the new mission was evident from the start.

Trials came, but with them many blessings, and they look back to that Thanksgiving with gladness, remembering that "the Lord watcheth over those that are His."

USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

To acquire a straight back remember to keep the abdomen in and the chest out.

When the skin becomes overheated, try putting a little baking soda in the water in which you wash.

Nothing relieves the sting of mosquito bites or the intense itching of hives like bathing in a weak solution of carbolic acid and water.

Always wash lettuce, cabbage, dandelion, spinach or any kind of greens in water with a half-cup of salt, and it will bring out the worms if there are any in them.

Knives can be polished with an old piece of Brussels carpet, sprinkled with bathbrick or emery powder and slightly moistened with methylated spirits.

To mend granite wear, take a small piece of putty and press well into the hole, smooth it down and set in a hot oven until brown.

To cut a loaf of hot brown bread, take a piece of twine and place it around the loaf, cross the ends and pull. There will be a clean cut and no crumbs.

A button on one pocket of your work apron will prevent the loss of the contents when you are stooping over your work.

Household brushes last much longer if washed regularly. Remember that they should never be allowed to rest on the bristles.

Water of ammonia, as strong as the skin will bear it, is of great service upon stings of yellow jackets and spiders.

A cure that is recommended for chilblains, is to rub the wrists and ankles well to encourage a good circulation, and the chilblains twice or thrice a day with methylated spirits, or, if preferred, with mustard liniment or camphorated oil, the last two being quite as good as and less dangerous than the first, which should never be applied near a light.

Inexpensive Nottingham and other lace curtains which do not require ironing are best dried on frames. Wash them clean and starch them slightly. Pin them on the light wooden frames which come for this purpose, and on which they may be evenly dried. If they are ironed they are likely to be pulled out of shape.

When there are no frames on hand large lace curtains may be pinned on a clean carpet and allowed to dry evenly in this way. Curtains that are dried on a clothesline are so pulled out of shape by the process that they can seldom be hung properly.

Boiled rice, prepared like macaroni, with grated cheese and baked in the oven makes a very nice dish for dinner or relish for tea.

For those who like squash pie but object to the pastry, the squash can be prepared as you would for a pie, but baked like a custard, in an earthen pudding dish set in a pan of water. Take from the oven as soon as it is set.

Squash or custard pie is much nicer if the pastry is made and spread on the plate the day before baking. The discovery was made by preparing pies on Saturday, for Sunday's baking and eating.

Burns in the kitchen are so frequent that it is fortunate that the kitchen or rather the bin in the cellar provides a quick and easily applied cure for injuries. When one has been seared by fire, immediately cut a white potato in two, and scrape. Bind this scraping on burn and the pain will quickly be mitigated.

Doughnuts are much improved if they are coated with a layer of sugar as soon as they are taken from the stove. The best way to powder them is to put a small amount of confectioner's sugar in a paper bag and put several doughnuts in the bag at a time and then shake the bag, holding the top of the bag closed. This will coat them with sugar quickly and more evenly than any other way,

If your heart is weak do not indulge in showers, and be careful to temper the water, no matter how strong the heart.

An excellent household remedy for burns is pure vaseline or olive oil. The great thing is to exclude the air and dirt from the burned surface, and this the oil will do.

If a piano is not tuned regularly twice each year its tone will flatten and it will soon get in such a condition that it cannot be kept at the proper pitch. Never place a musical instrument against an outer wall or near a window. The unavoidable dampness will surely work havoc with the delicate mechanism. A piano should always be kept closed when not in use, for the fine dust floating in the atmosphere falls between the keys and mars both touch and tone. Never place metal ornaments upon a piano. They are sure to vibrate and spoil the tone, and it may not be easily traced to its distinct cause. Pianos are readily affected by artificial heat. Both steam and hot air are bad for them. The ideal heat for the music room is hot water, and even this should be kept as nearly as possible at an even temperature.

Doctors will tell you there is no form of insomnia harder to conquer than that of early waking. Old persons are particularly prone to this early waking. It comes to be a dreaded hour when all the memories of a lifetime crowd, and the future seems black. Often this wakefulness can be overcome by taking a warm drink and a cracker when first aroused. Hot milk, cocoa, or warm malted milk will tone up the stomach and help to draw the blood from the brain, when sleep will come again.

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NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
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The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned, administrator or John W. Denny, deceased, Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

MASSEY'S HOTEL, IN ODESSA,
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22d, 1909
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT HENRY CLEAVER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN,
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 29th, 1909
From 1 to 4 P. M.

and at my residence, Crawford street, Middletown, Del., every Saturday, after noon from 1 P. M., to 4 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector or by sending written communication, enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

JOHN E. DENNY,
Administrator for Joun W. Denny, deceased, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED!

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART, IN TOWNSEND, DEL.,
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During NOVEMBER 1909.
From 1 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

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WILLIAM C. MONEY,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred

NOTICE!

I, JOHN P. McINTYRE, owner and occupier of the house known as the Middletown Hotel, situated at Middletown, in School Districts, Nos. 60, 60½ and 94, county of New Castle and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the Acts of the General Assembly in such case made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of General Sessions of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle County, Monday, the 3d day of January, A. D. 1910, being the next term of said Court, for a license for said house as an inn or tavern for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors in quantities less than one quart, to be drunk on the premises, and the following respectable citizens of said School District, at least six of whom are substantial freeholders of said School District, recommend the said application, viz:

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JOHN P. McINTYRE.
Middletown, Del., Nov. 11th, 1909.

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AT BLACKBIRD, WATSON'S STORE
NOVEMBER 27th, 1909
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT FLEMING'S LANDING,
NOVEMBER 22d, 1909
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT DELANEY'S, (DAVIS' STORE)
NOVEMBER 26th, 1909
From 1 to 3 P. M.

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EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto

JOHN BEITH,
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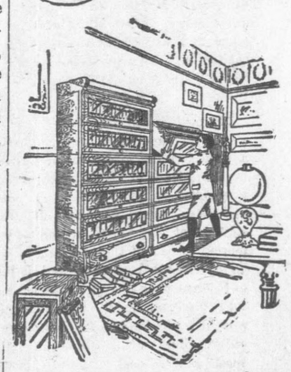

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